

State of Missouri Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrically related incidents; and

WHEREAS, on average, there are 390 civilian deaths related to electrical home structure fires each year, and an average of two electrically related deaths occurs in the United States every day; and

WHEREAS, property damage resulting from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than \$1.4 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed each year; and

WHEREAS, citizens are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards; and

WHEREAS, citizens are advised to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground-fault circuit interrupters, arc-fault circuit interrupters, surge protective devices, and tamper-resistant receptacles; and

WHEREAS, citizens are urged to install, test, and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, the Electrical Safety Foundation (ESFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace through education, awareness, and advocacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim May, 2024, to be

ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 12th day of April, 2024.



Michael L. Parson

ATTEST:

ECRETARY OF STATE